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LETTER TO EXAMINER

Sir:

During a June 24, 2003 telephone conference with Examiner Qi, the Applicants were informed that he had not received an Information Disclosure Statement that the Applicants filed on April 17, 2003, for which receipt on April 23, 2003 at the United States Patent and Trademark Office was acknowledged by return receipt postcard.

Accordingly, copies of the April 17, 2003 Information Disclosure Statement and related documents as-filed, including the references and the date stamped return receipt postcard, are provided herewith. The Applicants believe that no fee is required because the Information Disclosure Statement and acknowledgement of receipt thereof occurred within three months of their citation by the Japan Patent Office in an office action for the corresponding Japanese patent application.

The Applicants bring to the Examiner's attention that the Applicants also filed a replacement Form PTO-1449 to correct a typographic error in one of the document numbers on May 29, 2003, which the Examiner admits he has received.

The Applicants respectfully request that the references cited in enclosed Information Disclosure Statement be considered in connection with the subject patent

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application and that the Examiner ~~us~~ ~~th~~ ~~r~~ ~~plac~~ ~~m~~ ~~nt~~ Form PTO-1449 that was filed on May 29, 2003 to acknowledge consideration thereof.

Respectfully submitted,



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The dating stamp of the Patent and Trademark Office hereon will be taken as the date of filing of:

1. Information Disclosure Statement Transmittal including Certificate of Mailing (4 pages)
2. Form PTO-1449 and copies of 13 cited references; and
3. This Return Postcard



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